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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize and honor the career and humanitarian spirit of the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell.

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell has distinguished himself as a religious and civic leader, educator, and community advocate;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell is celebrating ten years as pastor of the Second Baptist Church, and has over twenty-five years of religious service and forty years of community service;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell is the 14<sup>th</sup> pastor of the historic Second Baptist Church of Washington, D.C. founded in 1848;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell preserved the Second Baptist Church of Washington, D.C., by petitioning the D.C. Historic Preservation Board and the U.S. Department of the Interior, to declare the church a national historic landmark;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell served as a member of the First District of Columbia Constitution Convention, the Democratic State Committee, director of teacher education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction at the Howard University School of Education, and the Mount Vernon Square Community Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell actively serves the Washington, D.C. community as Vice President of the Washington Baptist Seminary, Board Chair of the Ideal Academy Public Charter School, Chief Executive Officer of the Colin L. Powell Public Charter School, Chair of the Development Committee for the Board of Directors of the Stoddard Baptist Home, Executive Board Member of the Dc Baptist Convention, Vice President of the Joshua Economic Development Group, President of the Joshua Group, Vice President of the Council of Churches and President of the Council of National Black Churches.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and celebrates the life of the Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell for his distinguished service and extensive contributions to children, youth and the religious community and declares September 29, 2007 as the "Reverend Dr. James E. Terrell Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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To acknowledge and honor the officers, members, and honorees of the North Michigan Park Civic Association for diligently servicing the community.

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Tri-Annual Awards Dinner Dance on October 19, 2007;

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association was established in 1957, is a member of the District of Columbia Federation of Civic Associations with the mission to unite the citizens of North Michigan Park for the common good of all, promoting community interest in the association and providing a forum for community information and outreach by bringing citizens, government officials, political leaders, community leaders, and the business community together for informational, social, and recreational activities;

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association officers and members are dedicated individuals who willingly and unselfishly commit their expertise and skills for the good of their community;

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association is under the current leadership of President, Grace J. Lewis, a true advocate for her community, who has dedicated numerous hours and productive time and energy, to leading the association in countless social and political events and activities, while ensuring community involvement, inclusion and representation;

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association will be presenting a Tri-Annual Awards Dinner Dance for members who have made memorable and recognizable contributions to their community in the categories of Past Presidents, Distinguished Public Service, Grand Achievement, President's Silver Award, Community Service, Dedicated Service, Excellence in Education, Outstanding Block Captains, Couple's Block Captains, Former Block Captains, Outstanding Senior Citizens, Outstanding Couples, Newsletter Distributors, Gracious Living,

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Good Neighbor, Special Services, Posthumously, and Support Services; and

WHEREAS, the North Michigan Park Civic Association and Tri-Annual Awards Dinner Dance will celebrate the unity of the community, the continued support of concerned individuals, and acknowledgment of past and present members, who realize the benefits when a village comes together for a good cause.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "North Michigan Park Civic Association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Tri-Annual Dinner Dance Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds the North Michigan Park Civic Association's officers and members for contributing to a long legacy of constructive interaction and development to the community it serves.

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## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To posthumously honor and remember the life of affordable housing preservationist and activist Mr. Leroy Hubbard, and to declare October 6, 2007, as "Leroy Hubbard Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard was born September 14, 1930 in Braddock, Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard joined the United States Army after finishing high school;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard completed his formal education at Atlanta University, West Texas State, Howard University, and American University;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard relocated to Washington, DC in 1953;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard started his journey of activism in 1954 by organizing, meeting, marching, demonstrating, and constantly fighting for the rights of those less fortunate;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard was instrumental in founding and helping over a dozen community groups to achieve their community development goals;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard helped to build a core of support for the community in the 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Columbia Heights Community in Ward One after the riots of 1968;

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard participated in the community planning process to design the revitalization plan for the 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., corridor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Hubbard was a community activist providing others with the opportunity to enjoy the fruits of his labor and sacrifice.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Leroy Hubbard Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors and remembers the life of affordable housing preservationist and activist Mr. Leroy Hubbard, and declares October 6, 2007, as "Leroy Hubbard Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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To posthumously honor and remember the life of Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., and to declare October 10, 2007, as "Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr. Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., was born July 31, 1992 in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., was affectionately called "Shincky" by his friends and family;

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., attended Jefferson Junior High School;

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., loved to play sports at the Boys & Girls Clubhouse # 10, in Ward One;

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., attended church on Sundays with his family;

WHEREAS, Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., completed a program sponsored by the ARCH and several activities at Harambee House for Youth; and

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr. Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors and remembers the life of Mr. Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr., and declares October 10, 2007, as "Jonathan Lamont Franklin, Jr. Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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To recognize, honor, and applaud the dedication and valuable contributions Denise Rolark Barnes has made to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes upon graduation from law school, immediately joined the staff of The Washington Informer where she served as managing editor, and eventually became publisher of The Washington Informer in 1994;

WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes has served the African American community in Washington DC faithfully for 28 years disseminating the news not covered by the *Washington Post* or the *Washington Times*;

WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes has maintained the *Washington Informer* in Ward 8 where she continues the legacy of her father, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, who established The Washington Informer in 1964;

WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes gives back to the Washington community by maintaining The Washington Informer Charities, a nonprofit organization that promotes literacy and sponsors internship opportunities and writing competitions for students interested in pursuing careers in journalism.

WHEREAS, the Washington Informer Charities also provides resources to local public school student newspapers and it has officially served as the official sponsor of The Washington Informer Spelling Bee, a local participant of the Scripps National Spelling Bee, for the past 25 years;



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WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes is recognized locally and nationally as an outstanding journalist who adheres to the highest standards of her profession as seen in her Channel 16's "Reporters Roundtable," a municipal cable television show aired twice daily featuring local reporters who discuss civic and social issues affecting D.C. residents, and she has also appeared as a guest reporter on the nationally syndicated Tavis Smiley Show, Tony Brown's Journal, NBC4's Reporter's Notebook and several local radio and television programs; and

WHEREAS, Denise Rolark Barnes' board memberships include United Black Fund, Inc., the AARP District of Columbia Executive Council, the Historical Society of Washington, D.C., and the SHIRE Collaborative on the Prevention of Childhood Obesity. She is also a member of Leadership Greater Washington (Class of 1997).

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Denise Rolark Barnes Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and applauds Denise Rolark Barnes for her dedication and contributions to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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To recognize and honor the humanitarian spirit of Dr. Richard A. Decarlo, and to declare November 16, 2007 as "Dr. Richard A. Decarlo Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard A. Decarlo was born in Washington, D.C. on October 3, 1942, raised in Ward 7, and attended District of Columbia Public Schools;

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard A. Decarlo attended the University of the District of Columbia, University of Miami and the Vidal Sassoon School in London, England where he earned his Bachelor, Masters and Doctorate degree from the National Institute of Cosmetology;

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard A. Decarlo has been involved in a variety of community service and national organizations and has been the recipient of countless awards, citations and honors;

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard A. Decarlo served as president for four years and is currently vice president of AARP Penn Branch Chapter #3473, serving as an AARP Ambassador and volunteer working with AARP Headquarters D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard A. Decarlo received the 2007 AARP Andrus Award for community service, the most prestigious AARP volunteer award recognizing outstanding AARP volunteers throughout the 50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Dr. Richard A. Decarlo Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and celebrates the life of Dr. Richard A. Decarlo and his contributions to public service, and declares November 16, 2007 as "Dr. A. Richard Decarlo Day" in the District of Columbia.

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To posthumously honor Owen W. Davis for his contributions to the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department and the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis's tenure as a uniformed officer and a command officer spanned the segregated era of the 1950's, through the turbulent demonstrations of the 1960's, to his retirement from the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department in 1973;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis was the first African-American to earn the rank of uniformed Captain and to serve as Commander of the old Second and Eleventh precincts;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis served as the first African-American Deputy Chief of the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department and was one of the first African-American officers to be promoted to the rank of Inspector;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis's command as the Deputy Chief included the Special Operations Division and later the Patrol Division, which consisted of more than 3,000 officers and civilian personnel and fourteen precincts;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis was awarded more than 75 commendations for outstanding police work during his career;

WHEREAS, in addition to his police work, Owen W. Davis's dedication to the District of Columbia and its citizens included involvement with the D.C. Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Boy Scouts of America, Family and Child Services of D.C., the Travelers Aid Society, and the Eastland Gardens Civic Association;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis was also a longtime volunteer with the Metropolitan Police Boys and Girls Clubs, where he served as President;

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WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis was a member of the Masonic Order and served as an Elder at Sargent Memorial Presbyterian Church;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis continued to pursue higher education after his retirement, earning a Masters Degree in Adult Education from Federal City College and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Virginia Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis will be eulogized at a funeral service on October 16, 2007, and will be forever remembered for his service to the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Owen W. Davis Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Owen W. Davis for the many valuable contributions he has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To posthumously honor and remember the life of Mr. Raymond Wright, and to declare October 15, 2007, as "Raymond Wright Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright was born January 20, 1946 in Caroline County, Virginia;

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright attended DC public schools and graduated from Anacostia Senior High School with honors;

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright was an ordained Deacon and enjoyed singing in the choir;

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright enjoyed spending time with the community and helping others in Ward One;

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright was an elected Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner in 2004 and was re-elected to serve a second term in 2006;

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright was a devoted father, grandfather, brother and uncle; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Raymond Wright was a friend to all who knew him.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Raymond Wright Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors and remembers the life of Mr. Raymond Wright, and declares October 15, 2007, as "Raymond Wright Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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November 6, 2007

To acknowledge and honor Therrell Smith for her dedication in the field of dance.

WHEREAS, Therrell Smith has dedicated her life to teaching dance and other activities to children in the District of Columbia for over 60 years;

WHEREAS, Therrell Smith manages her own dance studio located in Ward 5 on Bunker Hill Road, N.E., teaches dance in the after-school programs of the District of Columbia School System, and produces an Annual Dance Recital that includes the District of Columbia Schools and her dance studio;

WHEREAS, Therrell Smith is the Executive Director of Thomas and Birdie C. Smith Arts Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides scholarships in the Creative Arts to Children in the Washington, D.C. area; and

WHEREAS, Therrell Smith has become an institution in the District of Columbia and will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday on November 3, 2007.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Therrell Smith Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Therrell Smith for her tireless work in the community and her devotion to the world of dance.

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November 6, 2007

To commemorate the 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica and to declare October 18, 2007, as "Latino Community Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the mission of Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica is to defend the social, civil and legal rights of immigrant women, children and families that are victims and survivors of domestic violence in the D.C. metropolitan area;

WHEREAS, Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica promotes social justice and victim empowerment through direct immigrant tailored services and advocacy activities focusing on domestic violence and family law;

WHEREAS, Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica is the only coalition of immigrant service providers that focuses on domestic violence in the District of Columbia's Latino community;

WHEREAS, Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica assures that women, children and families who are victims of domestic violence have access to culturally and linguistically appropriate services; and

WHEREAS, Agencias Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica seeks to build community and promote the availability of comprehensive services for immigrant families.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Latino Community Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness Recognition Resolution of 2007".



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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Latinas Unidas Contra La Violencia Domestica; and declares October 18, 2007 as "Latino Community Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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November 6, 2007

To recognize the talented Ballou Senior High School Majestic Knights Marching Band for its many accomplishments and to celebrate the release of "Ballou," a documentary film chronicling the dedication and sacrifice of its members and leaders.

WHEREAS, the Ballou Senior High School Majestic Knights Marching Band has performed superbly under the leadership of Band Director Darrell Watson and his outstanding volunteer staff;

WHEREAS, in 2004 the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band placed second in the Home Depot National Battle of the Band competition in Carson, California;

WHEREAS, the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band was selected from thousands of marching bands nationwide to perform at President Bush's 2005 Inaugural parade;

WHEREAS, the documentary film "Ballou" has already received praise through private screenings at numerous film festivals and is expected to make its public debut in 2008;

WHEREAS, the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band recently joined President and Mrs. Bush at the White House for a private screening of the documentary;

WHEREAS, Band Director Darrell Watson was recently named "Person of the Week" by ABC World News;

WHEREAS, the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band recently appeared via satellite on the "Ellen DeGeneres Show" and was presented with a \$25,000 check "to help the students continue to achieve their dreams"; and

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WHEREAS, the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band has inspired fellow students, parents, and people nationwide by demonstrating that much can be accomplished through hard work and perseverance.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Ballou Senior High School Majestic Knights Marching Band Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and appreciates the positive impact the Ballou Majestic Knights Marching Band has on the community and congratulates Director Darrell Watson and all band members for their accomplishments.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize November 2007 as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia to highlight the importance of lung cancer treatment, support, research, and prevention for District of Columbia residents.

WHEREAS, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in both men and women in the United States;

WHEREAS, persons who have never smoked and those who already quit smoking comprise the majority of new cases of lung cancer each year;

WHEREAS, nearly 70% of lung cancer cases will be diagnosed at late stage, with only a 15% survival rate in 5 years;

WHEREAS, approximately 400 new cases of lung cancer are diagnosed in the District of Columbia annually;

WHEREAS, lung cancer mortality rates for African American men in the District of Columbia are among the highest in the nation;

WHEREAS, risk factors for developing lung cancer include smoking, being exposed to second hand smoke, radon gas leaks in homes, environmental radiation, and industrial chemicals;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia supports smoking cessation programs and early detection through screening and regular medical check ups for those at risk of developing lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, all District of Columbia residents are urged to help make the fight against lung cancer a national health priority and to offer compassion and support to people with lung cancer.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Lung Cancer Awareness Month Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares November as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month" in the District of Columbia and to participate in activities to support and serve individuals with lung cancer.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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November 6, 2007

To recognize November 2007 as “American Diabetes Month” in the District of Columbia to highlight the importance of diabetes treatment, support, and prevention for District of Columbia residents.

WHEREAS, Diabetes is a group of diseases marked by high levels of glucose in the blood which can lead to serious health complications and even death;

WHEREAS, there are 20 million people nationwide, and an estimated 9% of District of Columbia residents, who are living with diabetes;

WHEREAS, African Americans are disproportionately affected by diabetes, and approximately one-third of the 3.2 million African Americans living with diabetes nationwide remain undiagnosed;

WHEREAS, persons with diabetes face numerous health risks such as blindness, amputations, nervous system damage, kidney disease, and stroke;

WHEREAS, risk factors for diabetes include a family history of the disease, weight gain, high blood pressure, aging, and a sedentary lifestyle;

WHEREAS, the risk of developing diabetes can be reduced by as much as 60% by maintaining a healthy weight, eating meals which are low fat and high in fiber such as fruits and vegetables, and remaining active with regular exercise;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Department of Health’s Diabetes Prevention and Control Program is designed to promote health and quality of life for District of Columbia residents through high quality community-based programs and preventive services; and

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WHEREAS, this year's theme for American Diabetes Month, as designated by the American Diabetes Foundation, is 'The Many Faces of Diabetes,' to highlight not only those individuals living with the disease, but their family members and care givers as well.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "American Diabetes Month Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares November as "American Diabetes Month" in the District of Columbia and to participate in activities to support and serve individuals with diabetes.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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To recognize November 15, 2007 as "The Great American Smokeout" in the District of Columbia to encourage people who smoke to quit for at least a day, to provide encouragement and support for those trying to quit smoking for good, and to help prevent young people from starting to smoke.

WHEREAS, more than 700 District of Columbia residents die each year from smoking related illnesses;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia ranks highest in the nation for smoking-related cancer death;

WHEREAS, cancers of the lung, larynx, oral cavity and pharynx, esophagus, stomach, pancreas, bladder, and urinary tract occur more often in smokers than in nonsmokers;

WHEREAS, smoking can also lead to cardiovascular disease, stroke, osteoporosis, ulcers, premature wrinkling, chronic obstructive respiratory disease, and other serious and potentially fatal conditions;

WHEREAS, the D.C. Tobacco Control Program provides education and prevention services to help District of Columbia residents quit smoking, eliminate the hazards of second hand smoke, and prevent youth from becoming addicted to cigarettes;

WHEREAS, studies have shown that smokers are most successful in quitting smoking when they have support such as nicotine replacement products, counseling, prescription medicine, support groups, and the encouragement of family and friends;

WHEREAS, one year after quitting smoking, the risk coronary heart disease is reduced by half of that for a current smoker;



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WHEREAS, five years after quitting smoking, the risk of stroke is reduced to that of someone who never smoked;

WHEREAS, ten years after quitting smoking, the cancer death rate is about half that of a continuing smoker, and the risk of cancer of the mouth, throat, esophagus, bladder, cervix, and pancreas decrease;

WHEREAS, fifteen years after quitting smoking, the risk of coronary heart disease is that of a nonsmokers; and.

WHEREAS, since 1977, the American Cancer Society has promoted the third Thursday of November as a day where millions of smokers across the nation can quit for the day, and to raise awareness on effective ways to quit smoking for good.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Great American Smokeout Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares November 15, 2007 as "Great American Smokeout" in the District of Columbia, and to encourage people who smoke to quit for at least a day, to provide encouragement and support for those trying to quit smoking for good, and to help prevent young people from starting to smoke.

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We are proud to recognize, honor and express our overwhelming gratitude to Harold L. Valentine for his commitment to excellence and for his numerous contributions to the District of Columbia and her citizens.

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine is joined by family, friends, colleagues and many others to recognize the service and contributions of this outstanding public servant on October 27, 2007;

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine was born on October 27, 1942 in Newport News, Virginia to Victor and Nellie Valentine and he has a long and distinguished tenure in community service, dating back to his public service days in Newport News, Virginia, while a student at Hampton Institute, now Hampton University;

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine's community service in the District of Columbia is marked with distinction and honor, and he has given unselfishly of himself to address the needs of the oppressed, suppressed, disenfranchised, homeless, jobless, unskilled and others in need of assistance to improve their quality of life;

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine is a founding member of the Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative which champions, among many issues, the Housing Production Trust Fund, and apprenticeship training programs for unskilled and under skilled residents of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine has devoted and dedicated an inordinate amount of time, resources, skills, energy and talent to support the mission of the United Planning Organization.

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WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine organized student internship programs, the Henry L Green Parks Maintenance Project funded through the Shaw Community Economic Development Fund, and partnership programs, projects and initiatives with the Verizon Center and the Washington Convention Center, to provide jobs opportunities for those in need of employment; and

WHEREAS, Harold L. Valentine has a distinguished career in public service which is unparalleled by comparison. In recognition of this outstanding career as a public servant, a special tribute is accorded him for his commitment and many years of service.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Harold L. Valentine Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and salutes Harold L. Valentine for his commitment to excellence and for his numerous contributions to the District of Columbia and her citizens and declares October 27, 2007 as "Harold L. Valentine Day" in the District of Columbia.

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To honor James Garvin for having a vision to promote recreational and professional golf for Blacks in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, James Garvin is the President of the Langston Legacy Golf Corporation, Inc., located at the historic Ward 5, Langston Golf Course where he also runs programs where children learn to play golf, study golf as a sport, and earn academic golf scholarships;

WHEREAS, James Garvin hosted the Annual East Coast Junior Masters Golf Tournament and sponsored the Healthy DC Tournament in 2003 where more than 300 District residents were tested for their blood pressure and cholesterol count, received prostate screening's, and were given information on AIDS prevention and treatment;

WHEREAS, James Garvin created the Annual No Cost International Golf Tournament for junior golfers from the District, Maryland, Virginia, and New Jersey to compete against Bahamian Junior golfers on the Grand Bahamas Island sponsored by his annual fund-raising tournaments;

WHEREAS, James Garvin is in partnership with the District of Columbia Public Schools nearest to Langston, namely Charles Young Elementary, Brown Special Education, and Spingarn Senior High, providing golf instruction at no cost;

WHEREAS, James Garvin previously created a "Kids on Course Golf Program", a partnership with First Tee DC, established and sustains an Interpretive Education Center offering computerized education materials to students and adults, and provides summer employment for youth at Langston Golf Course since 1999;

WHEREAS, James Garvin has provided Thanksgiving baskets for the District of Columbia Government Children and Family Services, and is a board member for Safe Haven Community which includes Carver Terrace, Langston Terrace and Ivy City;

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WHEREAS, James Garvin maintains a partnership and offers cost free instruction to junior golf programs, Masons Army Junior Golf Program, Golf Exposure Junior Golf Program and Langston Junior Boys and Girls Golf Program;

WHEREAS, James Garvin has received numerous awards that include: the Langston Preservation Community Outreach Award, Charles Young Middle School Career Day and Community Spelling Bee Awards, a certificate of Appreciation for Football Field Restoration from Spingarn Senior High School and the JC Nalley Community School Excellence in Education Award; and

WHEREAS, James Garvin was recently inducted into the African American Golfers Hall of Fame.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "James Garvin Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and applauds James Garvin for his relentless pursuit in the development of recreational and professional golf opportunities for Blacks in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-187

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To acknowledge and honor The Washington Glory Softball Team in victory.

WHEREAS, The Washington Glory won the Cowles Cup and the 2007 National Pro Fastpitch ("NPF") National Title;

WHEREAS, The Washington Glory is the DC area's professional women's fastpitch softball team owned by Paul Wilson and coached by Carie Dever-Boaz and assistant coach Erin Goettlicher;and

WHEREAS, The Washington Glory have already completed an amazing inaugural year that includes cinching first place in the regular season with a .773 winning percentage, having 5 players named to the 2007 All-NPF team including, Amber Jackson, Oli Keohohou, Nichole Thompson, Desiree Serrano, and Sarah Pauly, and the NPF also presented Amber Jackson, who led the league in nearly every offensive category throughout her rookie season, with the Majestic Athletic Player of the Year, and right-hander Desiree Serrano was named the 2007 Pitcher of the Year for her 18 regular season wins and Coach Dever-Boaz earned the Diamond Sports manager of the Year Award.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Washington Glory Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds the Washington Glory for an outstanding season.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-188

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To honor Dorothy Covington Ramsey on turning 90 years old on October 22, 2007 and to recognize her past, present, and future dedication to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey turned 90 years old on October 22, 2007;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey is a native Washingtonian and has dedicated her life to helping others and making the District of Columbia a better place to live;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey is a graduated of the District of Columbia Public School System;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey public spiritedness and love for the District of Columbia over the years has truly been a blessing to our community;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey has been a powerful and positive role model for so long, helping to improve our community; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Covington Ramsey continues to make a difference in the District of Columbia even at the young tender age of 90.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF THE COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Dorothy Covington Ramsey Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and celebrates the ninetieth birthday of Dorothy Covington Ramsey and her past, present, and future achievements.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-189

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize October 25, 2007 as "My Own Place, Inc. Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, My Own Place, founded in 2003 as a licensed residential provider, is celebrating over 30 years of services as the former residential division of DC Arc supporting adults with cognitive disabilities throughout the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, My Own Place provides individualized, choice driven support to over 60 individuals based on the preferences, needs, and desires of each person;

WHEREAS, My Own Place provides unique services to persons with varying levels of intellectual and developmental disabilities offering a continuum of support and living arrangements ranging from supervised semi-independent living to 24 hour specialized staff support;

WHEREAS, My Own Place offers a wide range of services for individuals to help them live a healthy, enjoyable, and productive life;

WHEREAS, My Own Place recognizes the efforts of The Arc of the District of Columbia volunteer Board of Directors for the vision and support in establishing My Own Place as an independent service entity; and

WHEREAS, My Own Place is supported by over 50 volunteers who provide more than 1,000 hours of services per year.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "My Own Place Day Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes October 25, 2007 as "My Own Place Day."



## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-190

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To acknowledge and honor the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker for his 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker is a native Washingtonian, the oldest of five children, married to Vealetta Moore-Parker and the father of three daughters, Destiny, Dynasty, and Dai;

WHEREAS, the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker received his Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Howard University, Washington D.C., attended Morehouse College School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and received a Masters Degree in Religion from Howard University School of Divinity;

WHEREAS, the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker has been teaching for 23 years in the Public School System, presently teaching at John Burroughs Elementary School in Ward 5 as a sixth grade teacher, was selected as an outstanding teacher of the year in 1993, and was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa Professional Fraternity in Education in 1994;

WHEREAS, the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker was called to be a servant of Jesus Christ, received his ministerial practicum under the tutelage of the Reverend Dr. J.L. Smith, former Pastor of the Beulah Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia and the Reverend William H. Montgomery, late Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend DeWayne G. Parker has been a Pastor of Evangel Missionary Baptist Church, also located in Ward 5, for 16 years.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Reverend DeWayne G. Parker Recognition Resolution of 2007".

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Reverend DeWayne G. Parker for his faithfulness to his calling and his dedication to Evangel Missionary Baptist Church for 16 years.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-191

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To celebrate and honor Kulah Hayes for her long life, her dedication and commitment to her family, and to her past career endeavors on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

WHEREAS, Kulah Hayes was born on November 12, 1917 in Atlanta Georgia and will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this year;

WHEREAS, Kulah Hayes married Leroy Hayes on January 19, 1939 and they were blessed with a son, Leroy L. Hayes;

WHEREAS, Kulah Hayes and her husband relocated to the Nation's Capital in 1942, yet after 61 years of blissful matrimony Kulah lost her beloved husband Leroy on June 1, 2000, with Kulah living most of her 65 years as a resident of Ward 5 in the Woodridge section;

WHEREAS, Kulah Hayes enjoyed being a full-time wife, mother, and entrepreneur owning and working in Kulah's Beauty Salon for 25 years, worked 25 years at the Pentagon, and 18 years in the DC Public School system before retiring, is a long standing member of the Spirit of Peace Baptist Church where she served on the usher board, and is an active member of the Flower Club; and

WHEREAS, Kulah Hayes never missed a day of work before her retirement and presently enjoys watching her favorite game shows, old re-runs, and enjoys time with family and friends.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Kulah Hayes Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Kulah Hayes for her long life, her dedication and commitment to her family, and to her past career endeavors.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-192

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize and honor longtime District resident and children's advocate Monica Guyot on the occasion of her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot was born on December 19, 1937 in Los Angeles, California;

WHEREAS, from 1960 to 1965, Monica Guyot worked with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in Berkeley, California to raise funds;

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot left California in 1965 to work in the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi, continuing to serve with SNCC and helping to establish the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party;

WHEREAS, in 1965 Monica Guyot was jailed in Jackson, Mississippi with Heather Booth and others for demonstrating in support of the Voting Rights Act;

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot met Lawrence Guyot in Mississippi and in 1966 drove him around the state's 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District during his campaign for that seat;

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot worked for various organizations and causes while in Mississippi including the Lawyers Committee for Constitutional Defense and the Child Development Group of the Mississippi Head Start Program;

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot left Mississippi in 1969 and moved to the District of Columbia, where she co-founded GAP Community Child Care Center, where she remains as President and Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, Monica Guyot is a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Monica Guyot 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and honors Monica Guyot on the occasion of her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-193

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize the contributions of Ms. Minnie Green for her commitment to civil rights and for her dedication to improving the safety and well being of all residents in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green was born in a tiny hamlet in Rockingham, North Carolina;

WHEREAS, 1939, at the age of 13 in the back of a pick up truck, Ms. Minnie Green moved to Washington, D.C. ;

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green with a group of co-workers from the United States Department of Labor picketed and pressured restaurant owners and federal officials to desegregate restaurants in the Metropolitan Washington DC offices.

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green initiated the first citizens' "Orange Hat" neighborhood anti-crime patrol in Ward 4 in the late-1980s which continues today;

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green and her anti-crime patrols have enabled police, and other federal law enforcement agencies to mount successful prosecutions and reducing crime throughout the Petworth community;

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green has been a community activist organizing community walks known as "Walks for Justice";

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green has committed more than 40 years of her life to community service in partnership with the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department;

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green has worked tirelessly with vision and determination to reduce crime;

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WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green has been the Chairman of the Fourth District Citizens Advisory Council since 2005;

WHEREAS, Ms. Minnie Green through her leadership in the Fourth District Metropolitan Police Department Citizens Advisory Council has been instrumental in helping to deter criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the tremendous contributions of Ms. Minnie Green to bring innovative and creative ideas to public safety.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Ms. Minnie Green Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Ms. Minnie Green's dedication to public safety and wishes her the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-194

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize and honor the career and humanitarian spirit Patricia Norris Bonds, and to declare November 17, 2007 as "Patricia Norris Bonds Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds was born in Washington, D.C., on May 9, 1946, raised in Ward 7, and attended District of Columbia Public Schools;

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds has been a District of Columbia employee for over thirty-seven years, serving the District of Columbia public libraries and District of Columbia public schools;

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds served as school librarian at the Duke Ellington School of the Arts where she coordinated technology and arts integration for the students and staff through innovative workshops, after-school tutorial programs, a Japan American Society Partnership, a national park service exhibit, the annual reading is fundamental book distribution drive, book fairs, and speakers to address the need for research and arts integration;

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds served as a public school librarian at Eliot Junior High School and John F. Cook Elementary School; directing reading programs, public speaking workshops through community outreach and library theater performances;

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds worked as the children's librarian at the Benning Library and as a book mobile librarian;

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds served as a mentor in the Duke Ellington School of the Arts shepherding program; and a founding executive board member of the parents and friends of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts show choir; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Norris Bonds served as the former president of the District of Columbia Association of School Librarians and on Mayor Marion Barry's committee on education.



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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Patricia Norris Bonds Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and celebrates the life of Patricia Norris Bonds and her contributions and declares November 17, 2007 as Patricia Norris Bonds day in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-195

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To recognize and honor the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington on the occasion of his retirement as pastor of Jerusalem Baptist Church.

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington was born on November 2, 1935 in Fauquier County, Virginia;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington is the son of Mrs. Gladys Washington and the late Robert L. Washington;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington is a graduate of the Washington Baptist Seminary Urban Institute in the School of Religion at Howard University and the Inter-Met Theological Seminary at Hampton University;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington married Lois R. Washington on September 7, 1958;

WHEREAS, the Reverend and Mrs. Washington are the parents of four children, Lois, Laura, Deborah and Robert Clinton, Jr.;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton received the Washington Clergy of the Year award in 2006, and the Spirituality and Medicine Recognition Award from Howard University;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington is a member of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, where he served on the Executive Board and as Treasurer;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton has also been a member of the Executive Boards of the Baptist Convention of the District of Columbia and Vicinity, the Stoddard Baptist Home and Mt. Bethel Baptist Association; and

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WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington is retiring after 40 years as Pastor of Jerusalem Baptist Church at 2600 P Street, N.W.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington Recognition and Appreciation Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and honors Reverend Dr. R. Clinton Washington on the occasion of his retirement.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon .

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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-196

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 6, 2007

To honor and recognize Faith Productions, a nonprofit corporation for their commitment to cultural exchange.

WHEREAS, Faith Productions of Washington, D.C., is a nonprofit Corporation that provides various services to youth in Ward 7 and the Washington Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, Faith Productions began a Pilot Project to help develop social awareness skills for our District of Columbia youth, along with other youth in the Dominican Republic;

WHEREAS, Mayor Vladimir Cesperez of Sosua, Dominican Republic has courteously embraced this project and has committed to fully participate;

WHEREAS, the D.C. Department of Recreation's youth who belong to the Mayor's Cup Boxing Group will be traveling with Faith Productions to the Dominican Republic November 22-26, 2007 to participate in a Boxing Tournament between the youths from Washington, D.C. and the youths in Sosua;

WHEREAS, the project will not only provide a venue for the youth to interact with each other on foreign soil, but it will also provide a vehicle that cross-cultural understanding;

WHEREAS, along with the Boxing Tournament, there will be HIV/AIDS workshops, conducted in English and Spanish, for both groups to bring awareness of this deadly disease which has gravely affected, and infected so many youth; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Vladimir Cesperez has graciously gone above and beyond the call of duty and has opened up the doors of Sosua in every aspect, including, but not limited to, providing a Special VIP Reception at the Airport upon the DC contingent's arrival, providing a Special "Thanksgiving Day Dinner", to providing a Special Venue for the Tournament and Workshop, as well as other activities.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Faith Productions'- Dominican Republic Youth Boxing Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Faith Productions and Mayor Vladimir for their commitment to cultural exchange and the development of our youth in the District of Columbia. Mayor Vladimir Cespedez of the great City of Sosua, Dominican Republic is to be lauded for all that he has done, and we commend him for his great work.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-197

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and honor the humanitarian spirit of Nora Drew Gregory for her contributions to public service, and to declare November 14, 2007 as "Nora Drew Gregory Day" in the District of Columbia

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory a native of Washington, D.C., served with distinction on the District of Columbia Board of Library Trustees for 18 years, from May 17, 1977 to a term expiring on January 5, 1995;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory was named to the Board of Library Trustees to complete the term of her husband, the late Francis A. Gregory, a former Assistant Superintendent of the District of Columbia Public Schools and the first African American President of the District of Columbia Board of Library Trustees;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory served as President (1992) and Vice President (1982-1991 and 1994) of the District of Columbia Board of Library Trustees;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory and her late husband, Francis A. Gregory provided a combined total of 30 years of exemplary service to the library;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory, in her first year on the Board of Library Trustees, mounted a successful letter writing campaign, mobilizing numerous citizens of Washington, D.C. to write to their council members when the library's bookmobile service was threatened;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory, as chair of the library place improvement program, worked tirelessly to secure the support of Mr. John Hechinger in improving shrubbery for the Hubert H. Humphrey Plaza, personally selecting appropriate items to be placed in front of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library;

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WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory provided outstanding leadership as chair of the mural committee, working to raise a half million dollars for the "Life and Times of Martin Luther King, Jr." mural, which now graces the great hall of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, visited by over a million people each year;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory has been a strong advocate for the library, contacting the media to secure coverage of library events, as well as lobbying the Council of the District of Columbia and the Congress of the United States for increased library funding;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory worked to encourage native Washingtonians to donate relevant material on the history of their families to the library, participating herself as an interviewee for the oral history project, culminating in the publication of A Foggy Bottom Family: An Early Twentieth Century Account;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory became a trained tutor in order to assist in teaching adults how to read;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory has consistently maintained a warm and caring relationship with members of the library staff, both at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library and in the branch facilities;

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory set a lifelong example of courage and leadership for her son, Frederick (Freddy) Drew Gregory, Sr., a U.S. Air Force Colonel and astronaut who piloted Challenger Space Lab 3, and commanded the Atlantis and Discovery space shuttles; and

WHEREAS, Nora Drew Gregory is a lifetime member and a member of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Francis A. Gregory Library.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Nora Drew Gregory Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors and celebrates the life of Nora Drew Gregory and her contributions to public service, and declares November 14, 2007 as "Nora Drew Gregory Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-198

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To posthumously honor and remember the life of lawyer and immigration advocate Mr. David Carliner and to declare November 11, 2007 as "David Carliner Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner was a highly respected lawyer and immigration advocate in Washington, D.C., and across the world;

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner was an advocate for social acceptance, legal equality, and political change on issues such as segregation, mixed-race marriage, illegal immigration, and gay rights;

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner was a distinguished author for his work on immigration policy and the rights of immigrants and refugees;

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jim Graham served as an associate attorney practicing immigration law in the office of Carliner and Gordon in 1975;

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner was the founding chairman of the International Human Rights Law Group and was a founder of the Washington chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union;

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner was instrumental in the achievement of home rule in the District of Columbia and was chairman of the D.C. Home Rule Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Carliner will be remembered for his historic achievements and his passion for ensuring equality for all.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "David Carliner Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".



**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously honors and remembers the life of lawyer and immigration advocate Mr. David Carliner and declares November 11, 2007 as "David Carliner Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-199

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To posthumously honor and remember the life of philanthropist Mrs. Noi Chudnoff and to declare November 10, 2007, as "Noi Chudnoff Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff moved to the United States from Thailand in 1963;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff was the owner of the store, Go Mama Go!, and a resident of Ward One, where she sold handcrafted gifts and artwork from impoverished communities around the world;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff pioneered a lovely, energetic, and successful business – and all which previously was underdeveloped;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff made a point to know everyone who came into her store and was well known for her kindness and generosity;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff donated to the Whitman-Walker Clinic, Alliance of Concerned Black Men, the N Street Village women's shelter, the National Youth Advocacy Coalition, and the Gay and Lesbian Task Force;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff was a board member and contributor to the Ganymede Arts, a GLBT arts company in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff had witnessed poverty in the lives of those around her and kept searching for ways to alleviate poverty in her own community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Noi Chudnoff will be remembered for her incredible spirit and unyielding commitment to the pursuit of equality for all.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Noi Chudnoff Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors and remembers the life of Mrs. Noi Chudnoff and declares November 10, 2007, as "Noi Chudnoff Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-200

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To acknowledge and honor Bishop Herman Ginwright for his dedication to service.

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright is a resident of Ward 5, and a product of the DC Public School Systems, attending SJ Bowen, Ambush Elementary, Randall Jr. High and Phelps Vocational High School;

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright moved to Washington, DC at the age of 12 with his father and siblings, joined and served in the United States Air Force from 1953-1957;

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright was baptized in 1953 in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit, served as a Deacon for 13 years, and was called to the ministry in 1978;

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright preached his initial sermon in December of 1978, was ordained as Elder in 1980, accepted Pastorship on October 2, 1981, and was consecrated as Bishop on September 3, 1994;

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright Pastored the Highway Christian Church of Christ headquarters in N.W., D.C., for the past 26 years along with his wife, First Lady Ginwright; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Herman Ginwright will be installed as the presiding prelate of the Highway Christian Churches of Christ, Inc. on November 10, 2007.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Bishop Herman Ginwright Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia congratulates Bishop Herman Ginwright for answering the call on his life and persevering in his ministry.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-201

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and honor Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., for 30 years of service to the Metropolitan Baptist Church and the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., is the senior minister of the historic Metropolitan Baptist Church which was first organized in 1864 by the Reverend Henry Bailey as the Fourth Street Baptist Church in an area of the District of Columbia known as "Hell's Bottom";

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., was installed as the senior minister of Metropolitan Baptist Church on October 30, 1977, leading the congregation and the District of Columbia to Greater Spiritual Heights through his dynamic leadership and preaching of the gospel;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., advocates for the children of the District of Columbia by establishing the Metropolitan Day School in Ward five;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., advocates for the health and wellness of the greater Washington, D.C. community by creating ministries to provide education and support for people affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic and by creating the garment's hem, a collaborative effort of Christian Health Professionals committed to providing an integrative approach to healing afflictions of the mind, body and spirit;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., works to financially empower the citizens of the District of Columbia with housing opportunities and financial literacy education through the metropolitan community development corporation which he founded;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., championed adult literacy by establishing the Metropolitan Delta Adult Literacy program;

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WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., demonstrated his extraordinary leadership skills by advocating for gun control in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., was one of the first ministers in the District of Columbia Baptist community to ordain women ministers and deacons, fighting for the rights of all women in the ministry;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., has become a clarion voice of truth for the oppressed, under-represented and underprivileged of this nation which is demonstrated in the District of Columbia by a unique ministry to our homeless as cited in October 2007 by religion news service;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., has brought various ministers of national renown to preach at Metropolitan, including Dr. Wyatt T. Walker, Bishop T.D. Jakes, and Dr. Thomas Kilgore;

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., was recognized in 2006 by *Preaching Magazine* for his outstanding preaching skills, preaching throughout the United States, Europe, Australia and Africa; and

WHEREAS, Dr. H. Beecher Hicks was recognized by *Washingtonian Magazine* in 2007 as one of the 150 most influential persons in the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan region.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr., on his 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as the senior minister of Metropolitan Baptist Church.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-202

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To acknowledge and commend the United States Veterans Initiative- D.C. (U.S. VETS-DC) for its commitment to the population of homeless veterans.

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC has served homeless veterans since 1997 through the strategic placement of AmeriCorps members throughout the continuum of care in the Washington DC Metropolitan area, Baltimore, Maryland, and Martinsburg, West Virginia working with partner service providers to help thousands of homeless veterans;

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC operates Ignatia House, a unique residential community offering permanent housing for homeless veterans, located on the safe and beautiful grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home with an availability of 51 beds to meet the needs of the veterans;

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC offers a permanent supportive housing program providing service enriched housing for 36 homeless veterans, affordable rental units for clean, safe, and sober housing, a career center, and Case Management services;

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC provides programs to more than 500 homeless veterans annually with services including those served by AmeriCorps members;

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC provided more than 200 veterans on the streets with outreach services, placed 180 veterans in housing programs, and awarded 465 homeless veterans case management, food and clothing assistance, and sobriety support through U.S. VETS and AmeriCorps last year;

WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-DC reports 70% of the homeless veterans served remained stable in or successfully completed transitional housing programs and 198 homeless veterans enrolled in employment training programs and 57% of them have successfully found employment; and



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WHEREAS, U.S. VETS-US engaged 245 volunteers last year in 735 hours of service to homeless veterans and partner programs providing varied services.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "U.S. VETS-D.C. Recognition Resolution of 2007".

SEC. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds the U.S. VETS-DC for their tireless work for the homeless veteran population throughout the community.

SEC. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-203

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and honor the Olender Foundation for their 22 years of dedicated service to the residents of the District of Columbia and the Olender Foundation Awardees for 2008.

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation, for more than two decades, has recognized and honored citizens of the District of Columbia and the world for their dedicated, heroic and meritorious service;

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation selected the Olender Foundation Awardees for 2008;

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation selected public citizen as the recipient of the *Champion of Justice 2008* award;

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation selected public justice as the recipient of the *Champion of Justice 2008* award;

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation selected the Honorable Inez Smith Reid as the recipient of the Hero in Law 2008 award; and

WHEREAS, the Olender Foundation selected Captain (ret.) Ryan Kules as the recipient of the Unsung Hero 2008 award

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Olender Foundation Awardees for 2008 Day Recognition Resolution of 2007."

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and salutes the Olender Foundation Awardees for their valuable contributions made to the residents of the District of Columbia and declares December 5, 2007 as Olender Foundation Awardees Day in the District of Columbia.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-204

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and honor the House of Sweden and the Swedish Embassy for sponsoring the *Children First* programs from September 12<sup>th</sup> to November 25<sup>th</sup>, opening their doors to the children of the District of Columbia for fun activities, and sponsoring a number of seminars and sharing their expertise with adults as well as emphasizing the importance of learning by play.

WHEREAS, the main focus of the *Children First* theme is that each child is an individual, entitled to his/her rights in society. A series of seminars provided opportunities for DC residents to discuss important issues impacting children, a platform for increasing awareness, a potential for policy making, and a forum in which to exchange views and increase cooperation between Sweden and the United States on issues related to children;

WHEREAS, the House of Sweden, normally quiet and gracefully dignified, was bursting at the seams with exciting learning activities for our children who were considered the guests of honor at this fun event. The activities included interactive exhibits, films, story telling, animation along with a variety of entertaining learning adventures for young visitors;

WHEREAS, the House of Sweden celebrated the writings of world famous Swedish author Astrid Lindgren with the inclusion of a children's reading room. Characters and scenes brought Swedish children's literature to life and filled the child-friendly library environment. A tribute was paid to Ms. Lindgren to honor her contribution to children's literature being the creator of many lovable characters such as Pippi Longstocking and Mr. Nilsson. Children celebrated with a special birthday party for Astrid Lindgren who would have celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 14<sup>th</sup>, and an exhibition "*Astrid Lindgren Lives On*" was sponsored that showcased her contributions to the world of children's literature. Other accomplished Swedish children's authors such as Kathrine Paterson and Johanna Hurwits, and Ulf Stark participated in the festivities which included a seminar in the evening with Astrid Lindgren inspired music; and

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WHEREAS, the House of Sweden sponsored an informative and thought provoking seminar on early childhood education, "*Preschool - the First Step in Education.*" The goal was to share knowledge and experiences on learning with a focus on young children and enhance cooperation between professionals. In order to facilitate open dialogue, reseachers, early childhood educators and policy makers were invited to participate. Partners on this critical discussion included the Swedish National Agency for School Improvement and the Georgetown Children's House Endowment, sponsors of the DC PLAY BLOCKS.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "House of Sweden - Children First! Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors The House of Sweden which has utilized its resources and commitment to children by opening its doors to those of us living and caring for children in the nation's capitol. In turn the Swedish Embassy has provided participatory learning experiences in order to enhance cross country cultural understanding and respect as well as professional development.

Sec 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-205

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize the Canaan Baptist Church's Annual Calendar Tea Program and to declare December 2, 2007, as "Red, White and Blue Christmas Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, it is a time to reflect, recognize and honor the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces as the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq continue;

WHEREAS, the men and women of the United States Armed Forces, from current and past wars, should be commended for their heroism in the call of duty to secure our freedom and protect our country; and

WHEREAS, the Canaan Baptist Church, in Ward One, has dedicated their Annual Calendar Tea Program on Sunday, December 2, 2007 to honor the men and women of the United States Armed Forces with the theme of a Red, White and Blue Christmas.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Red, White and Blue Christmas Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the Canaan Baptist Church's Annual Calendar Tea Program and declares December 2, 2007, as "Red, White and Blue Christmas Recognition Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-206

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize the contributions of the Dworken family, owners of Curtis Chevrolet for their commitment to the business community and dedication to improving the economic vitality of the Ward 4 residents and the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has been in business for 41 years at 5929 Georgia Avenue, N.W., in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet was purchased in 1966 by Curtis Dworken the founder of Curtis Chevrolet;

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has been a family owned business throughout its history residing in the same area and on the same corner for all of these 41 years;

WHEREAS, three family generations of Dworkens, Curtis, Dudley, and Josh, have had strong ties to the community committing their energy and foresight to the betterment of DC neighbors and the community at large;

WHEREAS, when Curtis Chevrolet was asked by the manufacturer to leave this neighborhood for financial reasons the Dworken family refused, saying "NO" out of loyalty to their neighbors and friends;

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has been a pillar of the community and has added to the stability of the neighborhood throughout their 41 years;

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has enabled many of our residents to begin careers and succeed in business because of their continued support;

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has been an innovator on Georgia Avenue committed to the development of this area of the city;

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

WHEREAS, Curtis Chevrolet has shown their continued commitment to Georgia Avenue by investing in its transformation by bringing quality retail and affordable housing to the Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the tremendous contributions of Curtis Chevrolet and the Dworken family for their innovative and creative ideas in their support of our city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Curtis Chevrolet Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds Curtis Chevrolet and the Dworken family for their continued dedication to the betterment of our community.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.



## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-207

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To posthumously honor Cornelius R. "Neil" Alexander, Jr., for his many contributions to the District Government and the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander, an expert in discrimination law and leader in the fight for social justice, was the Chief Hearing Examiner for the D.C. Commission on Human Rights until his untimely death on November 19, 2007;

WHEREAS, for the past 20 years Neil Alexander presided over administrative law hearings filed under the D.C. Human Rights Act and wrote numerous legal decisions that received regional and national attention;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander was the presiding judge in the landmark case of *Pool and Geller v. Boy Scouts of America*, a case that garnered nationwide attention and forced many communities around the country to examine whether public funds should be used to sponsor the Boy Scouts in light of their discriminatory policy;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander wrote nationally-recognized legal decisions in cases involving human discrimination based on AIDS, employment discrimination based on race, and hostile work environments based on sexual orientation;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander was a leader in the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community in D.C. and the mid-Atlantic region, advocated for the leather community and served on the boards of various charitable and civic organizations, including Scarlet's Foundation and Among Friends;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander was a member of the National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary, where he co-chaired the 2007 annual conference and was President of the Maryland, District of Columbia Association of Administrative Adjudicators;

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander worked as a legal advisor at the District of Columbia Office of Personnel and was a staff attorney for the Federal Trade Commission, where he conducted systematic investigations and hearings on unfair or deceptive trade practices;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander received a Bachelor's Degree from Howard University and a law degree from Rutgers University School of Law;

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander's engaging demeanor and raucously infectious laugh will not be soon forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Neil Alexander will be eulogized at a memorial service on December 15, 2007, and will always be remembered for his service to the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Cornelius R. 'Neil' Alexander, Jr., Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the late Cornelius R. "Neil" Alexander, Jr., for the many valuable contributions he has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-208

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and honor Mr. Donald C. Brooks for his 30 years of government service to the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks began his service with the government of the District of Columbia as the Executive Director of the Glenn Dale Hospital in May 1977, where he directed all activities of this 400-bed long-term care hospital;

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks served as the superintendent of the Forest Haven children's center and administered the multi-dimensional programs and care at this 900-bed facility;

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks served as the Executive Director of the D.C. Village nursing home, directing the services of this 502-bed skilled and intermediate long-term care facility and successfully regained HCFA certification of this facility for which he received the director of human services special recognition award;

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks served as acting Deputy Commissioner of Public Health, with oversight for alcohol and drug abuse, long term care, ambulatory care, preventive health care, emergency medical services, HIV/AIDS activities, maternal and child health and the Medical Examiner's Office;

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks served as chief of staff for the Department of Human Services, the city's largest agency;

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks served as acting chief of facilities support services, Deputy Chief of the Office of Mental Health system development, and director of the utilization review at St. Elizabeths Hospital;

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WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks received the outstanding male program manager award from the Department of Human Services women's program advisory committee for program direction and contributions in promoting the advancement of women at the forest haven children's center; and

WHEREAS, Donald C. Brooks concluded his tenure in the District government in the leadership position as the project manager and team leader of the avatar business team, providing leadership in integrating the St. Elizabeths hospital information system of the health information technology project.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Donald C. Brooks Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia extends its appreciation to Mr. Donald C. Brooks for his distinguished service and extensive contributions to the residents of the District of Columbia in the areas of health and human services

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-209

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize and celebrate the efforts of the Nation's Capital Boundary Stones Committee, part of the Nation's Capital Bicentennial Commission, in coordination with the District of Columbia Department of Transportation and Regional agencies, to inventory, evaluate, preserve, and restore the Nation's Capital's first monuments, the forty milestones that demarcate the 1791 boundaries of the ten-mile square "District."

WHEREAS, in 1787, a "District (not exceeding ten miles square)" was specified in the United States Constitution to "become the seat of the government of the United States," and in 1788 and 1789 respectively, the legislatures of Maryland and Virginia both offered land for such a site;

WHEREAS, in 1790, an act of Congress established that the "Federal District" would be on the Potomac River, and in early 1791, President George Washington proclaimed the survey should be made "beginning at a point south of Alexandria, run due northwest for ten miles, thence into Maryland due northeast for ten miles, thence due southeast for ten miles, and finally due southwest for ten miles to the beginning;"

WHEREAS, in 1791, Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson invited Major Andrew Ellicott, the nation's most prominent surveyor, to conduct the survey and concurred in the employment of Benjamin Banneker, the first African-American astronomer;

WHEREAS, in 1791, the preliminary survey was completed in 13 days in February, and on March 30, President Washington issued a proclamation that ordered the boundaries to be permanently marked;

WHEREAS, in 1791, the south cornerstone was dedicated on April 15, at a Jones point ceremony in Alexandria, and the permanent boundary lines were established during 44 summer days by clearing a 40-foot wide path and by placing a sandstone boundary stone at each mile;

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WHEREAS, in 1792, Major Andrew Ellicott spent 13 days preparing his final survey report and plotting the lines for the "city of Washington" and "territory of Columbia" (called the "District of Columbia" by the U.S. gazette on January 4, 1792), submitting a statement of survey expenses totaling \$2,986.25;

WHEREAS, in 1846, Congress and President Polk, in response to Virginian requests, retroceded the 31 square miles of the District west of the Potomac river back to the commonwealth of Virginia;

WHEREAS, in 1915, the daughters of the American revolution began erecting three-foot square iron picket fences around each stone, and during the 1990's, the daughters of the American revolution provided most of the documentation in order to place all stone sites on the national register of historic places; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, the Boundary Stone Southwest 9 became a national historic landmark, the nation's most distinguished historical recognition, to honor Benjamin Banneker, and the surrounding parkland was named the Benjamin Banneker Park by Arlington County, Virginia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Nation's Capital Boundary Stone Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and salutes the Nation's Capital Bicentennial Commission and the Nation's Capital Boundary Stones Committee for their contributions to the preservation of the nation's first monuments.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-210

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To posthumously honor Frances L. Murphy, II for her many contributions to the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy was publisher emeritus of the longest-running African-American family owned newspaper in the United States;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy received her undergraduate degree in journalism from the University of Wisconsin, an undergraduate degree in education from Coppin State University and a master's degree in education from Johns Hopkins University;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy was a distinguished member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., which was co-founded by her mother, Vashti Turley Murphy;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy was awarded the coveted Ethel L. Payne Award for Excellence in Journalism by Delta Sigma Theta in 1966;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy followed in the journalistic path carved by her grandfather, a self-taught slave and Civil War veteran who co-founded the Afro-American Newspaper and her father, Carl Turley Murphy, publisher of the Afro-American;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy became publisher and chief executive of the Baltimore edition of Afro-American Newspaper in 1971;

WHEREAS, Frances Murphy mentored and taught countless aspiring journalist as a professor at Morgan State University, the State University College at Buffalo New York and Howard University;

WHEREAS, upon her return to Washington, Frances Murphy became publisher of the Washington Afro-American in 1989; and

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WHEREAS, Frances Murphy believed the Afro-American belonged to the community and promoted participatory journalism by encouraging readers of the Washington edition to compile their family histories and send them to the paper along with photographs.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the Frances L. Murphy, II Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the late Frances L. Murphy, II for the many valuable contributions she has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.



## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-211

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To posthumously honor Sally L. Smith for her contributions to teaching individuals with learning disabilities in the District of Columbia and elsewhere.

WHEREAS, in 1950, Sally Smith graduated from Bennington College, where she studied modern dance with Martha Graham;

WHEREAS, in 1951, Sally Smith's senior thesis, "A Child's Guide to the Parent's Mind," was published at the request of the renowned psychoanalyst and author Erich Fromm;

WHEREAS, Sally Smith went on to author 10 other books;

WHEREAS, Sally Smith received her Master's Degree in education from New York University in 1955;

WHEREAS, in 1967, Sally Smith founded the Lab School, which is widely known for its innovative curriculum and its success in helping students who learn differently from others;

WHEREAS, Sally Smith developed the "academic club" method, a nontraditional way for students to explore history, geography, civics and other subjects by relying on visual, hands-on activities such as dance, music, woodworking and carpentry;

WHEREAS, in 1976, Sally Smith joined the faculty at the American University School of Education, where she ran the Master's Degree program specializing in learning disabilities;

WHEREAS, beginning in 1984, Sally Smith instituted a successful annual fundraiser for the Lab School when she hosted a dinner that featured awards to famous people who happen to have learning disabilities;

WHEREAS, honorees at the annual fundraising dinner have included Cher, Tom Cruise and Harry Belafonte;

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WHEREAS, the Lab School today has 323 day students, a tutoring program that reaches an additional 250 children and adults, a summer camp, night school and testing services;

WHEREAS, in 2000, a second campus of the Lab School opened in Baltimore, Maryland and in 2006 a school opened in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania that uses the Sally Smith teaching methodology;

WHEREAS, PBS produced four films in 2002 demonstrating the teacher training techniques that Sally Smith pioneered; and

WHEREAS, Sally Smith was known for the uniqueness of both her life and her teaching, as well as for her trademark fashion statements such as polka-dot nail polish, eccentric jewelry and brightly colored dresses and scarves.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Sally L. Smith Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Sally L. Smith for the many valuable contributions she has made to the District of Columbia, and to education.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-212

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize Robert and Valeria Hicks for their past, present, and future dedication and service to the Deacons for Defense and Justice and the Bogalusa Civic and Voters League and to declare November 17, 2007 as "Robert and Valeria Hicks' Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution, the Declaration of Rights of the Constitution and the Voter Rights Act of 1965 guarantee all people basic rights including freedom of speech, assembly, privacy and equality before the law;

WHEREAS, the preservation of civil rights, civil liberties and voter rights are fundamental rights of American society and is essential to the well-being of any democracy, including ethnic minorities;

WHEREAS, the Deacon for Defense and Justice and the Bogalusa Civic and Voters League were formed to protect the basic rights of the residents of Bogalusa and all people of this United States, including ethnic minorities; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Valeria Hicks were organizers and leaders of the Deacons for Defense and Justice and the Bogalusa Civic and Voters League and have a long and distinguished history of tireless commitment and dedicated service to the said organizations, their community, their church and minority and oppressed people everywhere.

WHEREAS, AFSCME DISTRICT COUNCIL 20 and the DC Black History Celebration Committee, (DCBHCC), will pay tribute to these distinguished civil rights and voter rights leaders on Saturday, November 17, 2007 in Washington, D.C.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF THE COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Robert and Valeria Hicks Recognition Resolution of 2007".

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes honors and celebrates Robert and Valeria's past, present, and future achievements and declares November 17, 2007, as Robert and Valeria Hicks' Day in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-213

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize the Cool Capital Challenge for its meritorious goal of building a partnership in the Washington metro area to fight global warming by reducing annual carbon dioxide emissions by one billion pounds.

WHEREAS, global warming is an urgent and growing threat to the health, safety, and welfare of all life on the planet, and the climate crisis requires a concerted effort by all people working together to counter it;

WHEREAS, multiple opportunities exist in Washington, DC and the surrounding metropolitan area to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide, a major gas contributing to the causes of global warming;

WHEREAS, building on the best practices of individual businesses and institutions, the Cool Capital Challenge is an unprecedented nonprofit initiative to produce a one-billion-pound reduction in the Washington region's annual carbon dioxide emissions.

WHEREAS, it is essential that the public -- including home or building owners, communities, commercial establishments, commuters, and citizens of every walk of life -- have access to education such as provided by the Cool Capital Challenge on the actions everyone can take to reduce carbon dioxide emissions;

WHEREAS, the achievement of the one-billion-pound reduction of Co<sup>2</sup> will be equivalent to taking 80,000 cars off the road, and will serve as both a springboard for more lasting solutions and business practices and as an inspiring and dramatic model for the rest of the country;

WHEREAS, the Cool Capital Challenge will demonstrate the immense practical, financial, community, and environmental benefits of investing in stronger energy efficiency measures by empowering people with specific, positive, and money-saving steps that each of us can take now to improve our own lives and reduce global warming;

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

WHEREAS, the Cool Capital Challenge compliments other initiatives such as those committed to by Mayor Fenty and many Washington-area Mayors, who have signed the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, coordinated by the US Conference of Mayors (a Cool Capital partner);

WHEREAS, the Cool Capital Challenge has been endorsed and joined by the District of Columbia Department of the Environment and the District of Columbia Office of Planning; and

WHEREAS, the energy efficiency actions championed by the Cool Capital Challenge have the potential to generate nearly \$100 million in immediate annual operating savings across the region, including millions in the District's budget, which could in turn be invested in such opportunities as green community and economic revitalization and workforce development.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Cool Capital Challenge Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the importance of empowering citizens, business, institutions, and agencies to work together in reducing carbon dioxide emissions in a unified effort to reduce the causes of global warming, and applauds the one-billion-pound goal set by the Cool Capital Challenge to spur immediate action.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-214

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize the PHI Community Foundation for its contributions to the community in providing energy assistance to needy families through its generous donation to the Greater Washington Urban League.

WHEREAS, Pepco Holdings, Inc., also known as PHI, is an energy holding company that delivers electricity and natural gas to more than 1.9 million customers in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey through Pepco, Delmarva Power, Atlantic City Electric, as well as retail and generation services through Conectiv Energy and Pepco Energy Services;

WHEREAS, Pepco has remained true to its mission of providing reliable electrical service to residents and businesses in Washington, D.C., while remaining committed to improving the quality of life for people in the communities it serves;

WHEREAS, the Pepco region has always been concerned that customers who are financially challenged within the District of Columbia have the means to keep the heat on and the lights burning during the cold of winter;

WHEREAS, Pepco demonstrates its corporate social responsibility through its support for a wide variety of cultural, educational, environmental, health and business initiatives;

WHEREAS, Pepco Holdings, Inc., the parent company for Pepco, created a new philanthropic arm in 2006 - The PHI Community Foundation – to launch the *Pepco Golf Classic*, to raise funds for low-income families in the Washington area who were struggling to meet the rising cost of energy in their gas and electricity bills;

WHEREAS, the PHI Community Foundation's first *Pepco Golf Classic* was so successful in "turning up the heat for deserving families" last winter that it expanded this year's event to include tennis and a golf clinic;

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WHEREAS, the PHI Community Foundation hosted its second annual *Pepco Golf & Tennis Classic* on September 17, 2007, raising more than \$225,000 through the generous support of corporate and individual sponsors, thus splitting those proceeds evenly across the Pepco service area through the charitable services of Catholic Charities of Montgomery County, United Communities Against Poverty – Prince George’s County, and the Greater Washington Urban League in the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the PHI Community Foundation has donated \$75,000 to the Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL) as part of its distribution of charitable funds for needy families served by the Urban League within the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “PHI Community Foundation Recognition Resolution of 2007”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the meritorious and outstanding service of the PHI Community Foundation for providing a financial safety net for needy families who may face difficult choices in providing a safe, warm home due to the rising cost of electricity and gas energy services.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.



## ENROLLED ORIGINAL

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-215

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To recognize the Honorable Frederick H. Weisberg, an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, for a distinguished judicial career that has spanned 30 years.

WHEREAS, Judge Weisberg was appointed to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia by President Jimmy Carter in 1977, reappointed by the District of Columbia Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure in 1992, and reappointed again by that Commission in 2007 to an unprecedented third fifteen-year term;

WHEREAS, Judge Weisberg has made outstanding contributions to the Court particularly during his tenure as Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division from 1989-1994, during which he carried a full criminal docket, was responsible for the daily operations and management of the Division, and provided the leadership and guidance that led to the design and implementation of the Superior Court Drug Intervention Program (Drug Court);

WHEREAS, the Drug Court has helped hundreds of eligible defendants charged with non-violent offenses to overcome their substance abuse problems and begin leading productive and meaningful lives, due in large part to Judge Weisberg's tireless efforts and determination to bring this project to fruition and make it a model for other jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, Judge Weisberg has served as Chairman of the District of Columbia Sentencing Commission since 1999, and with singular skill, dedication, and perseverance led the Commission to unanimously adopt voluntary guidelines that not only helped reduce unwarranted disparity in sentencing, but also enhanced the fairness of the system by which defendants are sentenced or can plea bargain; and

WHEREAS, Judge Weisberg is the longest serving Associate Judge of the Superior Court and continues a judicial career that has been exemplary and worthy of emulation, evidenced not only by his laudatory contributions and accomplishments, but also by his many years of public service.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Judge Frederick H. Weisberg Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec.2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Judge Frederick H. Weisberg for his 30 years of laudatory service in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and his efforts in reforming the sentencing structure of the District's justice system.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

17-216

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To honor and recognize Capitol Hill Village and endorse the goals and achievements of this innovative community-based effort to allow Capitol Hill residents the practical means and the confidence to age in place in their homes.

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village is a nonprofit organization, founded by Capitol Hill residents, to provide support for residents of the Capitol Hill community who wish to stay in their homes as they grow older;

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village is modeled after the very successful Beacon Hill Village in Boston, Massachusetts;

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village provides a very strong menu of services to over 135 members;

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village members can use a single point of contact with the organization to arrange one-stop service assistance or to participate in a variety of activities;

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village accommodates members needing physical assistance by providing top of the line in-home care specialists to provide home health aides and certified nursing assistants for members; and

WHEREAS, Capitol Hill Village has rapidly acquired a reputation for its effectiveness of organization and for providing a robust example of a community investing its own resources to further the "staying power" of its residents.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Capitol Hill Village Recognition Resolution of 2008".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends Capitol Hill Village and endorses the goals and achievements of this innovative community-based effort to allow Hill residents the practical means and the confidence to age in place in their homes.

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends Capitol Hill Village and endorses the goals and achievements of this innovative community-based effort to allow Hill residents the practical means and the confidence to age in place in their homes.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 11, 2007

To commend and recognize the students of the Saturday Environmental Academy for developing a series of action items recommended to improve the District of Columbia's environment, in particular the neighborhoods of Southeast DC.

WHEREAS, the students of the Saturday Environmental Academy recommend that city leaders take the following steps to improve recycling and waste reduction:

- (1) Expand the DC recycling program to include plastics labeled 1-7;
- (2) Increase the number of trash receptacles on city streets;
- (3) Place recycling receptacles on streets and public areas next to trash bins;
- (4) Have shaped lids on recycling receptacles that only allow bottles and cans;
- (5) Offer refunds for bottles and cans;
- (6) Institute recycling programs at locations where youth spend their time, such as schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, and recreation centers;
- (7) Provide educational instruction about recycling in DC Public Schools;
- (8) Improve government source point reduction plans to reduce waste by eliminating such things as plastic water bottles, plastic bags, and paper documents;

WHEREAS, the students of the Saturday Environmental Academy recommend that city leaders take the following steps to improve environmental restoration and conservation:

- (1) Institute stronger rules and regulations on littering;
- (2) Require people caught littering to perform community service or pay fines;
- (3) Create natural barriers between sources of pollution and the river;
- (4) Install grates at storm drain openings to prevent trash from entering the system;
- (5) Develop community service programs for planting trees and cleaning Anacostia Park;
- (6) Develop a public awareness campaigns on the value of trees and tree boxes in an urban setting, on the need for habitat improvement and awareness for wildlife and raptors, and to encourage planting in tree boxes and front lawns of resident's

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- homes.
- (7) Market and brand environmental efforts with names such as "B<sup>2</sup>" for Block Beautiful, "Triple B" for Buddy Block Beautiful or "ABC" for Anacostia Beautification Campaign; and

WHEREAS, the students of the Saturday Environmental Academy recommend that city leaders take the following steps to improve energy efficiency and public transportation:

- (1) Use energy efficient lighting throughout the Washington DC Metro system; and
- (2) Encourage the use of public transportation through incentive programs such as frequent rider programs that reward riders when they use Metro with a free ride after multiple trips;

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Saturday Environmental Academy Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends and recognizes the students of the Saturday Environmental Academy for developing a series of action items recommended to improve the District of Columbia's environment, in particular the neighborhoods of Southeast Washington, D.C.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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17-218

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

December 18, 2007

To honor Winnie Graves Jenkins on the occasion of her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday on November 30, 2007 and to recognize her past, present, and future dedication to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins is turning 91 years old on November 30, 2007;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins was born in Marion County, South Carolina to the late Reverend Prestly and Ella Floyd Graves in 1916;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins is the seventh of nine children and the oldest living member of the graves Family descendants;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins has lived in the District of Columbia since 1938, where she met and married George C. Jenkins and to this union a daughter Barbara J. Clark was born;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins is the grandmother of two, Cheryl and James;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins was employed at the Hot Shoppe's for 23 years, and worked for the Bureau of Engraving as a currency examiner for 15 years, where she received many efficiency awards and monetary compensation for her dedication and hard work to the Bureau;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins over the years has volunteered for the Honorable Charlene Drew Jarvis, the Honorable Wilhelmina Rolark, the Honorable Nadine Winter, the Honorable Marion S. Barry, the Red Cross Blood Mobile, The Girl Scouts, Senior Citizens Counseling and Delivery Service as well as many more organizations and associations;

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WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins has been a devoted member of the Tenth Street Baptist Church for over 65 years and has been a member of the Pastors Aid Club, the Gospel Chorus, the Missionary Club, a \$500 Building Fund Member, a \$100 Brick Club Member, and is an active member of the Sunday School;

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins although educated in a one room school house, it did not limit her ability to touch the lives of others through her employment, family, friends, volunteerism and religious associations; and

WHEREAS, Winnie Graves Jenkins continues to make a difference in the District of Columbia even at the young tender age of 91.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF THE COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Winnie Graves Jenkins Recognition Resolution of 2007".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and celebrates the ninety-first birthday of Winnie Graves Jenkins and her past, present, and future achievements.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.